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DESCRIPTION OF HUNGARIAN DECORATIONS

The following is a comprehensive summary of Resolution No 5 of the Hungarian Presidential Council, of 1953, entitled "Basic Regulations Concerning the Decorations Awarded by the Hungarian People's Republic." The translation of the designations of decorations is given in Part V.

I. AWARD OF DECORATIONS

The decorations of the Hungarian People's Republic are awarded to members of civilian organizations and of the armed forces, in recognition of outstanding services rendered to the country in its effort to build socialism. Of the civilian decorations, the "Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje" and the "Munka Voros Zaszlo Erdemrendje" may be awarded not only to individuals but also to enterprises, authorities, and other civilian institutions. Of the military decorations, the "Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje," the "Voros Zaszlo Erdemrend," and the "Voros Csillag Erdemrend" may be awarded also to the educational institutions and academies of the armed forces.

The title of honor, "A Szocialista Munka Hose" (Hero of Socialist Labor), is awarded in recognition of unusually outstanding services and is accompanied, in addition to its own badge, by the "Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje."

The decorations of the Hungarian People's Republic, as well as the title of honor, "A Szocialista Munka Hose," are awarded by the Presidential Council on the recommendation of the Council of Ministers.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE DECORATIONS

The badge of the "Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje," for both civilians and members of the armed forces, is a five-pointed red enamel star 45 millimeters in diameter with a gold border, superimposed on a star 44 millimeters in diameter with gold rays. In the middle of the star the enameled emblem of the Hungarian

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People's Republic with a 16-millimeter diameter is visible. The badge is to be worn on a triangular white ribbon, which has a 4-millimeter-wide embroidered red, white, and green stripe 4 millimeters from the right-hand border, and a 4-millimeter-wide embroidered red stripe 5 millimeters from the left-hand border.

The badge of the "Munka Voros Zaszlo Erdemrendje" is a stylized circular light-blue enamel field enclosed within two wreaths of wheat. In the upper part a gold-bordered red flag is visible, and in the center the emblem of the Hungarian People's Republic is superimposed on gold rays. The wreaths of wheat are joined together by a red, white, and green enamel stripe at the base of the badge. The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon, on the upper third of which is a 2-millimeter-wide red, white, and green stripe on a 5-millimeter-wide white ground.

The badge of the "Munka Erdemrend" is a five-pointed red enamel star 42 millimeters in diameter, on a white enamel field enclosed in an oval wreath of wheat. A crossed hammer and torch is superimposed on the base of the wreath. The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon.

The badge of "Szocialista Munkaert" is a silver-colored medal, 36 millimeters in diameter. The emblem of the Hungarian People's Republic, embossed on a solid five-pointed star and enclosed in a wreath, is visible in the middle. The circular inscription reads "Szocialista Munkaert." The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon, on the upper third of which are two red, white, and green stripes on a 5-millimeter white ground.

The badge of the "Munka Erdemrem" is a bronze medal, 36 millimeters in diameter, on the upper part of which an embossed five-pointed star, and under it an embossed crossed hammer and ear of grain, are enclosed in a laurel wreath. The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon having three vertical 3-millimeter-wide red, white, and green stripes on a white ground.

The badge of the "Voros Zaszlo Erdemrend" consists of two lateral wreaths of wheat on a stylized circular light-blue enamel field with gold rays in the center of the field and a red enamel flag with a gold-colored laced border in the upper part. The emblem of the Hungarian People's Republic is superimposed on the base of the field. The wreaths of grain are bisected by the extended red, white, and green band of the emblem. The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon, on the upper left-hand part of which is a 2-millimeter-wide red, white, and green stripe on a 5-millimeter-wide white ground.

The badge of the "Voros Csillag Erdemrend" is a gold-colored circular laurel wreath 35 millimeters in diameter, ornamented at the base by a red, white, and green enamel stripe. A five-pointed red enamel star, 49 millimeters in diameter, is superimposed on the laurel wreath, with the gold-colored metal emblem of the Hungarian People's Republic in the middle. The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon.

The "Kivalo Szolgalatert Erdemrem" is a circular medal, 36 millimeters in diameter. In the middle is an embossed five-pointed star enclosed in a laurel wreath, the ends of which are joined together by a ribbon. The inscription on the medal reads "Kivalo Szolgalatert" (For Outstanding Service). The badge is to be worn on a triangular deep-red ribbon, on the upper left-hand third of which are two 5-millimeter-wide red, white, and green stripes on a white ground.

The badge of the "Szolgalati Erdemrem" is a bronze medal, 36 millimeters in diameter; in the center is the embossed emblem of the Hungarian People's Republic, 30 millimeters in diameter. The badge is to be worn on a deep-red ribbon having three 3-millimeter perpendicular red, white, and green stripes at intervals of 8 millimeters.

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The badge of the title of honor, "A Szocialista Munka Hese," is a five-pointed gold-colored metal star 30 millimeters in diameter, with an embossed crossed ear of wheat and a hammer in the center. The badge is to be worn on a deep-red oblong ribbon 13 millimeters wide and 20 millimeters long, set in a gold-colored metal frame.

### III. WEARING OF DECORATIONS

Unless the wearing of the badges is prescribed, the decorations may be worn in the form of 40-millimeter long and 13-millimeter-wide service ribbons. All decorations, with the exception of the "Koztarsasagi Elnok Elismeresenek Koszor-  
uja," are to be worn on the left side. The enlarged badge of a decoration awarded to a civilian or a military organization may be embroidered in the upper staff-side corner of the flag of the organization. Organizations to which the "Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje" or the "Munka Vorca Zaszlo Erdemrendje" has been awarded are authorized to have the design of the badge printed on their letterheads and printed matter.

### IV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

The decorations, as well as the title of honor "A Szocialista Munka Hese," are accompanied by a document issued by the Presidential Council and a certificate issued by the Secretariat of the Presidential Council. A decoration may be awarded to the same person several times.

Administrative matters in connection with the awarding of decorations are handled by the Secretariat of the Presidential Council. After the death of a decorated person, the badge remains in the possession of the heir.

Decorations may be withdrawn by the Presidential Council from persons who become unworthy of them.

### V. ORDER IN WHICH THE DECORATIONS ARE TO BE WORN

1. Magyar Nepkoztarsasag Erdemrendje (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic).
2. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemrend I. fokozata (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic Class I).
3. Kossuth Erdemrend I. osztalya (Kossuth Order of Merit Class I).
4. Munka Voros Zaszlo Erdemrend -- Voros Zaszlo Erdemrend (Red Banner Order of Merit of Labor -- Red Banner Order of Merit).
5. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemrend II. fokozata (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic Class II).
6. Magyar Szabadsag Erdemrend ezust fokozata (Silver Order of Merit of Hungarian Freedom).
7. Kossuth Erdemrend II. osztalya (Kossuth Order of Merit Class II).
8. Munka Erdemrend -- Voros Csillag Erdemrend (Order of Merit of Labor -- Red Star Order of Merit).
9. Magyar Munka Erdemrend arany fokozata (Gold Order of Merit of Hungarian Labor).

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10. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemrend III. fokozata (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic Class III).
11. Kossuth Erdemrend III. osztalya (Kossuth Order of Merit Class III).
12. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemrend IV. fokozata (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic Class IV).
13. Magyar Szabadsag Erdemrend bronz fokozata (Bronze Order of Merit of Hungarian Freedom).
14. Magyar Munka Erdemrend ezust fokozata (Silver Order of Merit of Hungarian Labor).
15. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemrend V. fokozata (Order of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic Class V).
16. Szocialista Munkaert Erdemerem -- Kivalo Szolgalatert Erdemerem (Medal of Merit for Socialist Work -- Medal of Merit for Outstanding Service).
17. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemerem arany fokozata (Gold Medal of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic).
18. Magyar Munka Erdemrend bronz fokozata (Bronze Order of Merit of Hungarian Labor).
19. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Sporterdemerem arany fokozata (Gold Medal of Merit of Sports of the Hungarian People's Republic).
20. Munka Erdemerem -- Szolgalati Erdemerem (Medal of Merit of Labor -- Service Medal of Merit).
21. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemerem ezust fokozata (Silver Medal of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic).
22. Magyar Munka Erdemerem (Hungarian Medal of Merit of Labor).
23. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Sporterdemerem ezust fokozata (Silver Medal of Merit of Sports of the Hungarian People's Republic).
24. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Erdemerem bronz fokozata (Bronze Medal of Merit of the Hungarian People's Republic).
25. Magyar Nepkoztarsasagi Sporterdemerem bronz fokozata (Bronze Medal of Merit of Sports of the Hungarian People's Republic).
26. "48-as Diszerem" (Medal of Decoration of '48).

To be worn on the right-hand side: Koztarsasagi Elnok Elismeresenek (Arany, Ezust, Bronz) Koszoruja (Gold, silver, or Bronze Wreath of the Recognition of the President of the People's Republic). This decoration has no ribbon.

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